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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This responds to the Office action dated January 18, 2007. A one-month period for response was set. A one-month extension fee is enclosed, making a reply due by Monday, March 19, 2007. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 3.

Applicants elect Group 1 (claims 1-7), drawn to a method for producing chitosan.

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